

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Title: SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING A PARAMETER

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 10 and 12 to be in the form as follows. A marked up copy of the claims is included in an appendix following this amendment for the Examiners convenience.

10. An apparatus suitable for use in a system as claimed in claim 9, comprising programming means for programming a parameter, characterized in that the system comprises drawing means for enabling a user to create a drawing, the programming means being arranged for converting said drawing to a programming for said parameter.

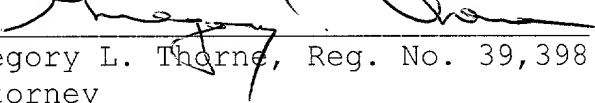
12. A computer program product for causing, when executed on a suitable computing device, said computing device to constitute a system as claimed in claim 9.

REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment to the claims was made solely to avoid filing the claims in the multiple dependant form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.

The claims were not amended in order to address issues of patentability and Applicants respectfully reserves all rights they may have under the Doctrine of Equivalents. Applicants furthermore reserves their right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein at a later time during the prosecution of this application or continuing applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX A  
MARKED-UP CLAIMS

10. An apparatus suitable for use in a system as claimed in ~~any of claims 1 to~~ claim 9, comprising programming means for programming a parameter, characterized in that the system comprises drawing means for enabling a user to create a drawing, the programming means being arranged for converting said drawing to a programming for said parameter.

12. A computer program product for causing, when executed on a suitable computing device, said computing device to constitute a system as claimed in claim ~~1 to~~ 9.